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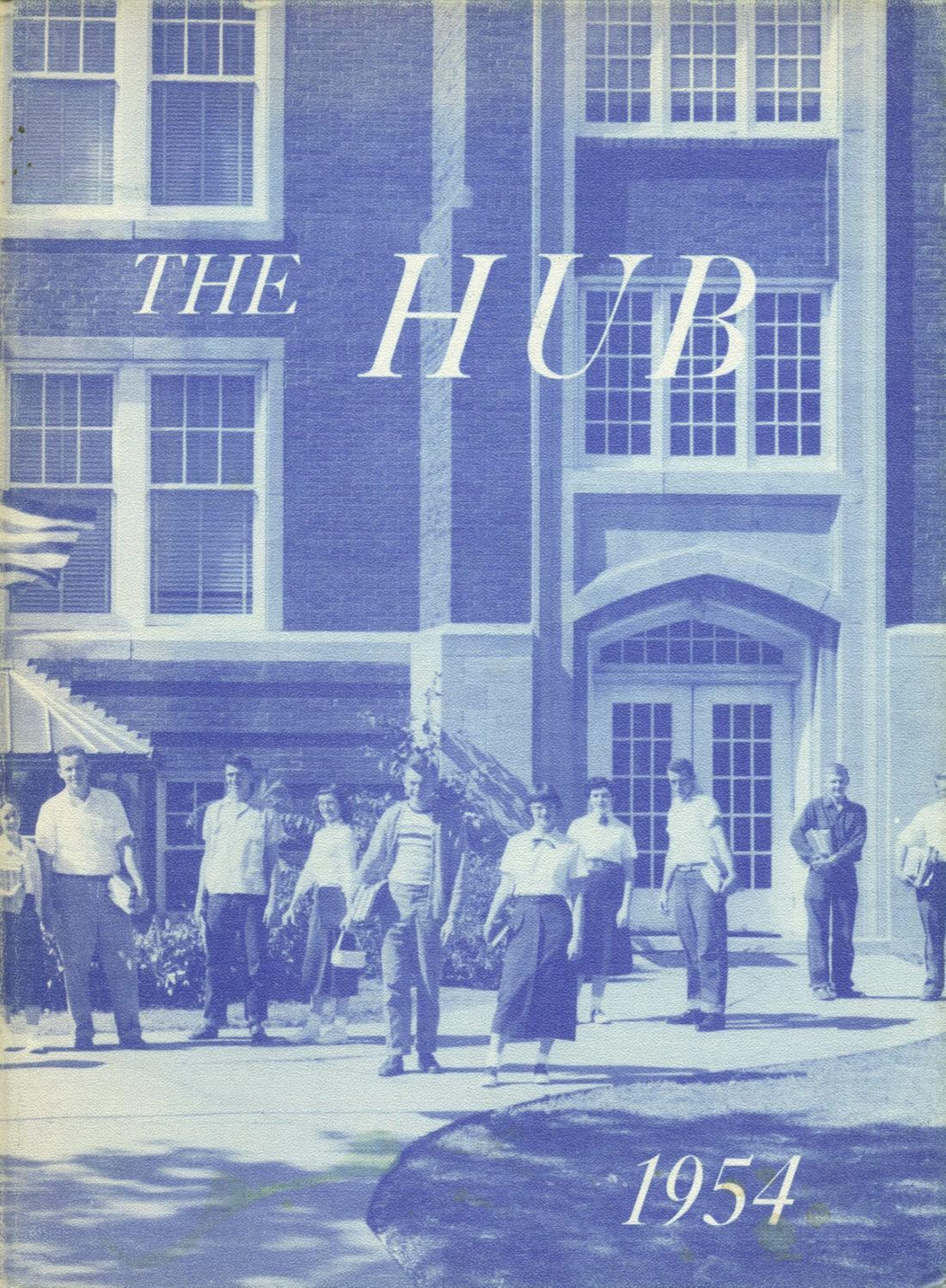

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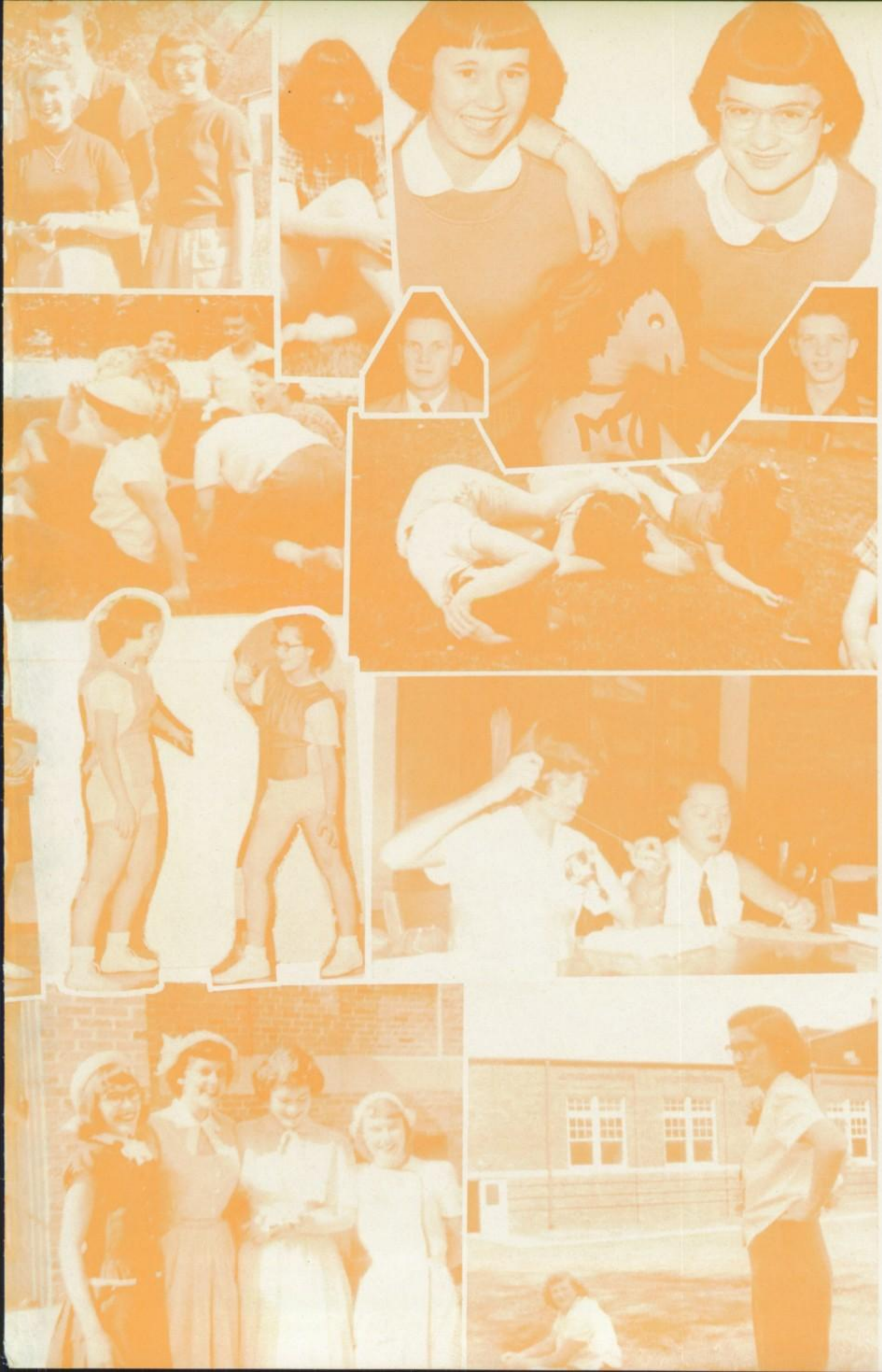

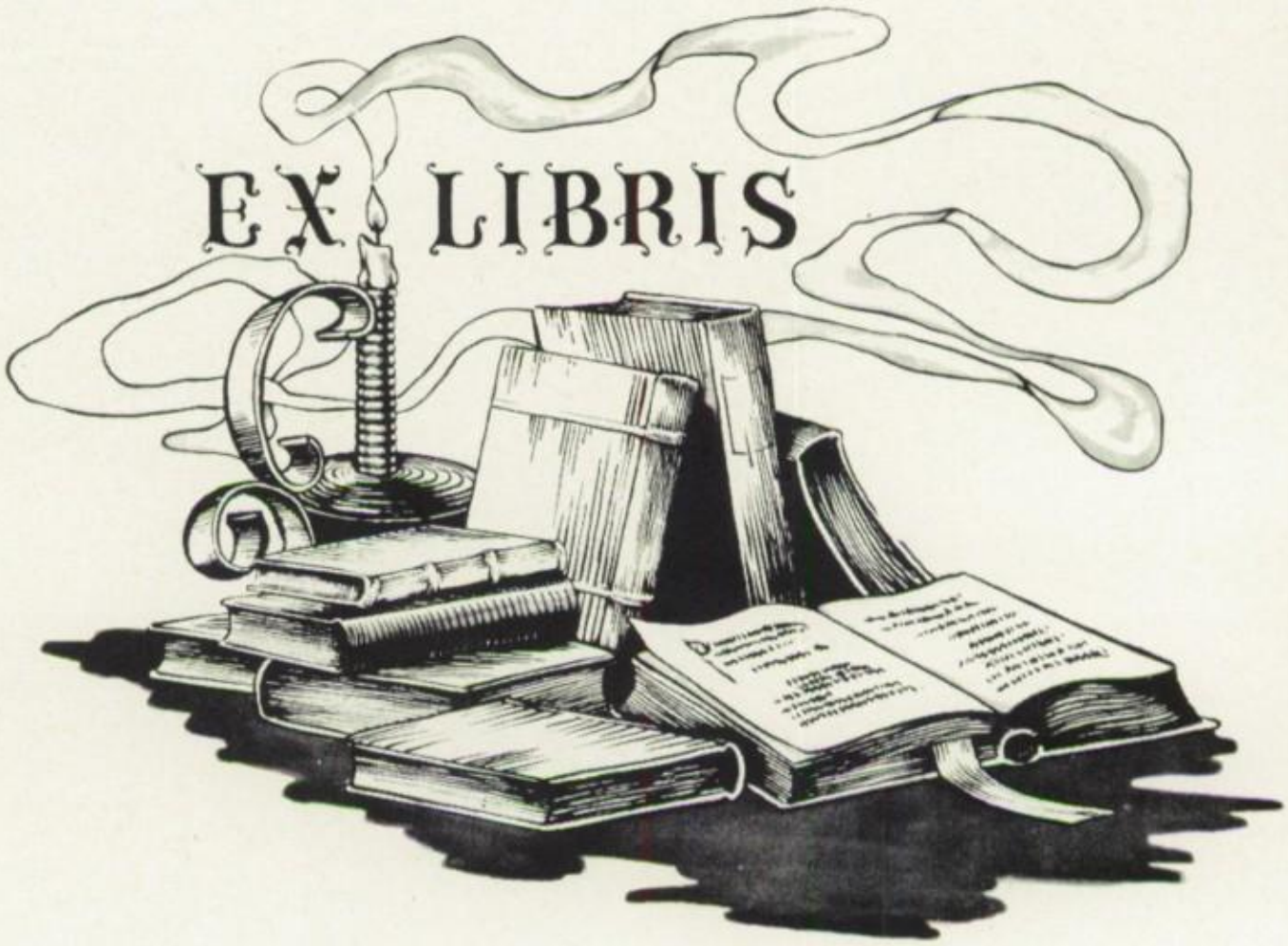
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DEDICATION

We, the Seniors of McLean High School, Class of 1954, do hereby dedicate our annual to you, Our Parents. It is with deepest respect and appreciation that we do so. Without your constant guidance and understanding, it would have been impossible for us to attain our goal. Our yearbook is one of the most important achievements in our school life and we would like to share it with you. Please accept the dedication of our annual as an expression of the love and appreciation which we have for you.

"HUB" STAFF

SEATED, Left to Right: Pat Lane, Marilyn Van Hoosier, Marcia Lane, Mauda Steward, Dorothy Hildebrandt. STANDING: Ken Conlin, Bob Coffman, Mrs. Hungerford, Albert Decker, Sue Morgan, Don Lovan, Myrna Lathim, Sherma Anderson, Frank Taylor, Diane Cryer, Ken Ford, Leah Holohan, Jim Necessary, Dick Farmer, Dick Yeast, Elwood Long.

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Co-Editor . . . . . Diane Cryer

Business Manager . . . . . Dick Yeast

Sports Editor . . . . . Dick Farmer

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Picture Editor . . . . . Patricia Lane

Sponsor . . . . . Mrs. Hungerford

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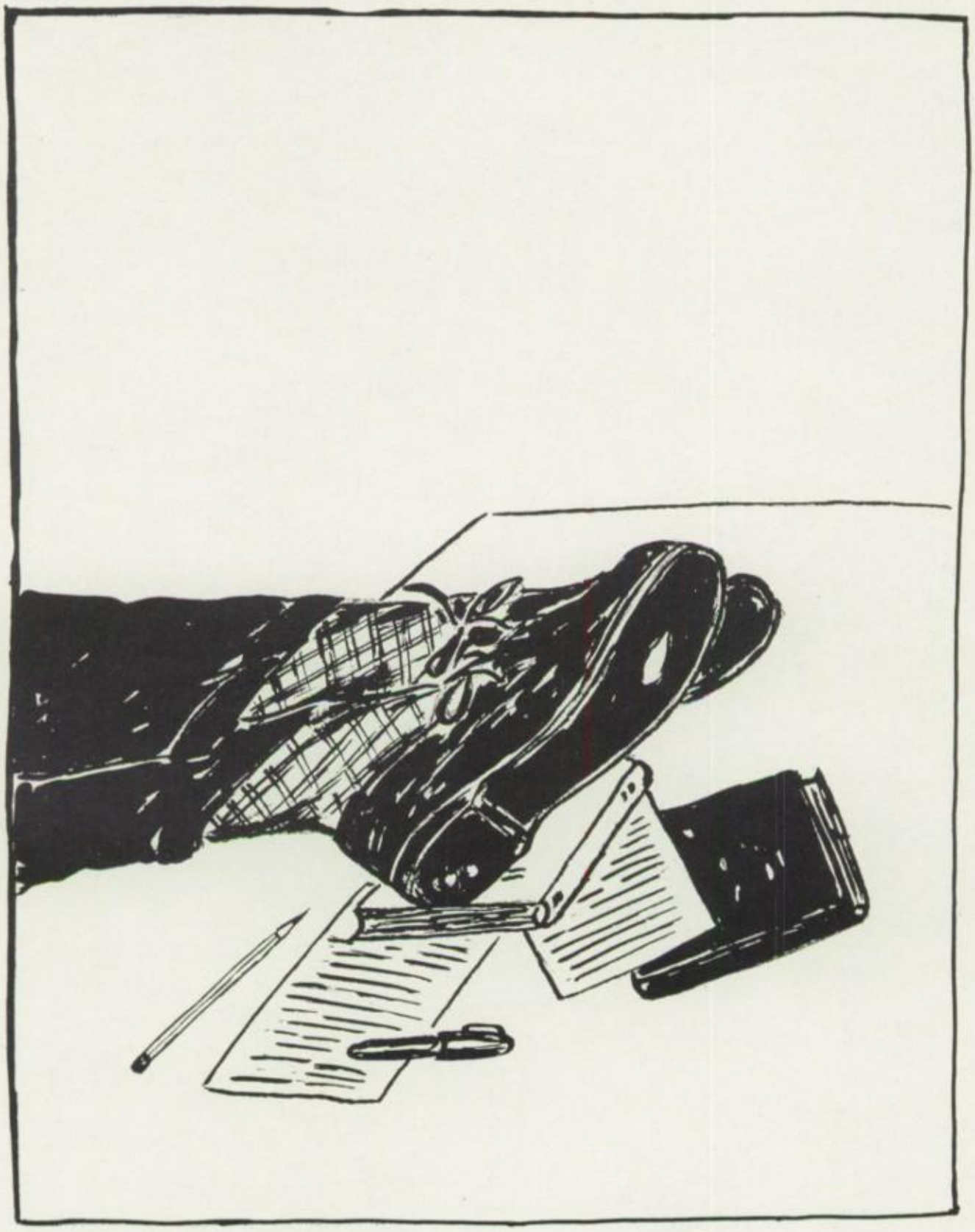

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OUR JANITOR

"Sec" Swearingen

SENIORS

DEH

SHERMA JEAN
ANDERSEN
"Sherm"

G.A.A. 2,3
F.H.A. 1,2,3,4
Reporter 4
Hub Staff 4
Girls' Chorus 1,2,3,4

"My idea of an agreeable person is one who agrees with me."

BEVERLY BOWMAN
"Bunk"

F.H.A. 1,2,3,4
G.A.A. 2,3
President 3
Vice President 2
N.H.S. 3,4
President 3
Sec y-Treas. 1
Hi Lite Staff 3,4
Art Editor 3
Editor 4
Band 1,2,3,4
Secretary 4
Sextette 2,3,4
Hub Staff 4

"I shall laugh myself to death."

ROBERT COFFMAN
"Bob"

Basketball 3
Chorus 3
"Rest Assured" 3
Student Council 3,4
F.F.A. 1,3.4
Treasurer 4
Junior Treas. 3
Class Office
Vice-President 2
Hub Staff 4

"Who me? I thought it was for tomorrow!"

KENNETH CONLIN
"Ken"

Basketball 1,3,4
Football 1,2
Track 1
F.F.A. 1,2,4
Vice President 2
Treasurer 4
"Rest Assured" 3
Class Office
Vice President 4
M Club 4
A Club 1,2
Hub Staff 4
Transfer from Arthur

"Now is the time, I guess."

DIANE CRYER
"Susie"

Class President 1
G.A.A. 2,3
Vice-President 3
F.H.A. 1,2,3,4
Program Chairman . . 4
Girls' Chorus 1,2,3,4
Pianist 1,2,3,4
Sextette 4
Hub Staff 4
Co-editor 4

"We know her by her giggle."

ALBERT DECKER
"Al"

F.F.A. 1,4
Track 2,3
Basketball 2,3
Boys' Chorus 3,4
Baseball 4
N.H.S. 3,4
"Rest Assured" 3
Hub Staff 4
Hi Lite Staff 4

"Anything for a quiet life."

RICHARD FARMER
"Ricky"

Basketball 1,2,3,4
Baseball 1,2,3,4
Track 1,2
Student Council 2
N.H.S. 2,3,4
Hi Lite Staff 3,4
Sports 3
Humor 3
Columnist 4
M Club 1,2,3,4
Class Office
President 4
"Rest Assured" 3
Band 1,2
Glee Club 2
Hub Staff 4
Sports Manager 4

"And so to sleep again."

KEN FORD

Football 1,2,3
F.F.A. 1,2,3,4
Vice-President 3
Secretary 4
Hub Staff 4

"Ford can be a digger if someone is behind him with a trigger."

DOROTHY HILDEBRANDT
"Dot"

F.H.A. 1,2,3,4
G.A.A. 2,3
Chorus 1,2,3,4
Student Council 1
N.H.S. 2,3,4
Hi Lite Staff 2,3,4
Assistant Editor 3
Art Editor 4
Hub Staff 4
Artist 4

"She was just the quiet kind."

LEAH HOLOHAN
"Shorty"

F.H.A. 1,2,3,4
Historian 4
Chorus 1,2,3,4
Sextette 4
Cheerleader 1,2
Majorette 1,2,3,4
G.A.A. 2,3
Band Manager 4
Student Council 3
Class Offices
Treasurer 2
Reporter 4
Hub Staff 4

"Let a smile be your umbrella."

PATRICIA ANN LANE
"Pat"

F.H.A. 1,2,3,4
Secretary 2
Project Chairman . . . 4
Student Council 4
Class Offices
Secretary 3
Sec'y-Treas. 4
Band 1,2,3,4
Sextette 1,2,3,4
N.H.S. 2,3,4
Secretary 3

MARCIA ANN LANE
"Marty"

F.H.A. 1,2,3,4
Treasurer 2
Financial 4
Chorus 1,2,3,4
G.A.A. 3,4
Band 2,3,4
Hi Lite Staff 2,3,4
Columnist 3
Assistant Editor 4
Class Offices
Student Council 1
President 3
"Rest Assured" 3
Sextette 3,4
Hub Staff 4
Editor 4

"Her face is bright with smiles."

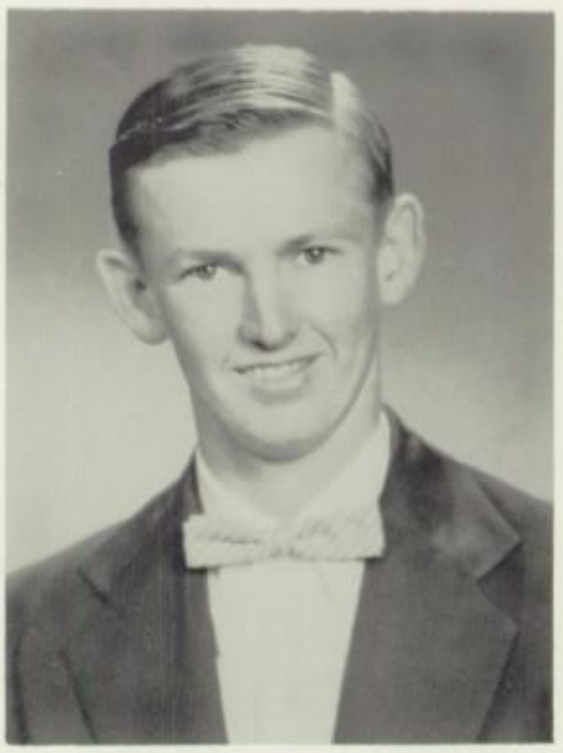
Hi Lite Staff 3,4
Columnist 3
Production Editor . . . 4
Hub Staff 4
Picture Editor 4
"Rest Assured" 3
Cheerleader 1
Chorus 1,2,3,4

"Laugh and the world laughs with you."

MYRNA JOAN LATHIM

F.H.A. 1,2,3,4
Reporter 4
G.A.A. 2,3
Hub Staff 4
"Rest Assured" 4
Chorus 1,2,3,4

"Five foot two, eyes of blue."



ELWOOD LONG
"Bush"

Basketball 1
Boys' Chorus 3
"Rest Assured" 3
Hub Staff 4

"His only aim is to make life miserable for all the teachers."

DONALD LOVAN
"Don"

Band 1,2,3,4
Football 3
Basketball 1
Track 2,3
Baseball 2,4
Boys' Chorus 1,4
N.H.S. 4
Basketball Manager 4
Hub Staff 4

"That's Amore."

CAROLYN SUE MORGAN
"Susie"

F.H.A. 1,2,3,4
President 4
Chorus 1,2,3,4
Band 1,2,3,4
Drum Major 4
Cheerleader 2,3,4
Student Council 4
G.A.A. 2,3
Reporter 3
"Rest Assured" 3
Sextette 3,4
Hub Staff 4
Photographer 4

"Just a cottage, small."

MARY FRANCIS MORGAN
"Fran"

F.H.A. 1,2,3,4
G.A.A. 2,3
Chorus 1,2,3
Band 1,2
"Rest Assured" 3
Class Office
Secretary 1
Correspondence 4

"Where there is a will there is a way."

MAUDA MAE STEWARD

F.H.A. 1,2,3,4
Vice-President 2
Secretary 1
G.A.A. 1,2,3
MA Hub Staff 4

"Come What May."

JAMES NECESSARY
"Jim"

F.F.A. 1,4
Baseball 2,3,4
Basketball 2,3,4
Track 3
"M" Club 2,3
Band 1,2,3,4
Boys' Chorus 3,4
Student Council 4
"Rest Assured" 3
Hub Staff 4

"A little learning is a dangerous thing."

FRANKLIN TAYLOR
"Tacey"

Baseball 3,4
Basketball 1,2
"M" Club 1,2,3,4
Vice-President 1
Hub Staff 4

"Slowpoke"

MARILYN JEAN
VAN HOOSIER

Class President 2
F.H.A. 1,2,3,4
Vice President 3
Degree Chairman 4
G.A.A. 2,3
"Rest Assured" 3
Hub Staff 4
Production Manager . . 4

"Sugar and spice and everything nice; one of these days she'll be sprinkled with rice."

RICHARD YEAST

RICHARD YEAST
"Dick"

Baseball 1,2,3,4
Basketball 1,2,3,4
"M" Club 2,3,4
Student Council 3,4
President 4
"Rest Assured" 3
Hub Staff 4
Advertising Manager . . 4

"All that I've learned, I've forgotten; All that I know, I've guessed."

CLASS HISTORY

For most freshman classes, high school is a new experience; however, for the freshmen that entered M. C. H. S. in September of '50, high school in a sense, was not entirely novel. There was good reason, our eighth grade class was held at the high school the preceding year. Nevertheless there were still many things we didn't understand.

Only a few weeks of school had passed when we held an election for class officers. Mr. Schultze was appointed our advisor while Diane Cryer was chosen President; Frank Taylor, Vice-President; and Beverly Bowman, Secretary-Treasurer. Elected to the student council were Dorothy Hildebrandt and Roger Lancaster.

We were well represented in sports. Patricia Lane and Leah Holohan were chosen as two of the four cheerleaders. We were also well represented in the academic field.

Activities such as a weiner roast at Morgans' and stunt night (we proved our ability as actors) made the school year even more pleasant. Before the first semester had hardly gotten underway, our class gained Albert Decker and Lester Williams and we then numbered twenty-five. Our number soon dwindled, however, for we lost the latter along with Ruth and David Coon, Rex Gordon, and Janette Van Hoosier.

In September, 1951, nineteen "silly" sophomores entered M. C. H. S. to start another year of work and fun.

We held our first class meeting to elect officers, which were: Marilyn Van Hoosier, President; Bob Coffman, Vice-President; Mary Watts, Secretary; Leah Holohan, Treasurer. We chose Marcia Lane and Dick Farmer as representatives for Student Council. Miss Schofield acted as our advisor.

Dick Farmer and Jim Necessary represented our class in the "M" Club.

Marcia Lane, Patricia Lane, Beverly Bowman, Richard Farmer, Dorothy Hildebrandt, and Roger Lancaster journeyed to the National Honor Society.

We were well represented in sports. In baseball, we were represented by Roger Lancaster, Dick Farmer, and Jim Necessary. These boys, joined by Dick Yeast, Albert Decker, Bob Coffman, and Frank Taylor, were active in basketball. Leah Holohan and Sue Morgan were cheerleaders.

In November, our class grew larger with Dick Yeast coming from Moline, and Ruth Coone coming from El Paso. Beginning the second semester, Kenneth Conlin came from Arthur, Illinois.

In September of '52, we entered the halls of McLean High to begin our third year of school activities. We had our first class meeting in early September and elected our officers. We chose Marcia Lane, President; Beverly Bowman, Vice President; Patricia Lane, Secretary; Dick Farmer, Treasurer; and Ken Conlin, Reporter. Student Council representatives were Dick Yeast, Roger Lancaster, and Bob Coffman; Class advisors, Miss Winings and Miss Kieszling.

We entered a political float in the Fall Festival Parade.

October 1st, we selected and ordered our class play. We selected "Rest Assured" which we presented on November 14, 1952.

We gained Donald Lovan to increase our enrollment to twenty-three. Roger Lancaster moved to Delavan in January. Leah Holohan was elected to take his place in Student Council.

On September 1st, we again entered school. As our class officers we chose Dick Farmer, President; Ken Conlin, Vice President; Pat Lane, Secretary-Treasurer; and for Student Council, Bob Coffman, Jim Necessary, Pat Lane, and Sue Morgan.

On May 23rd, we donned our caps and gowns for the first time. We now realized that our school days were almost ended. On the evening of May 27th, 22 seniors marched to the strains of "Pomp and Circumstance" to their place on the stage. We are now ready to take our place in the world.

CLASS POEM

We are presenting to you the class of 54,
Who are hoping to go ahead and reach a high score.
So watch out for this class of 22,
Who'll be honest and good and always be true.

Sherma Andersen, who's setting her course,
Her interest is now in the Air Force.

Beverly Bowman, is editor of the school paper,
Is always doing an undescribable caper.

Bob Coffman, a tall lanky lad,
Whose reactions and looks are a lot like his Dad.

Ken Conlin, who's always talking about this and that,
But most of all, about his little Pat.

Diane Cryer, who isn't considered slim,
Has but one main interest, and that is Jim.

Albert Decker, has a little white Ford,
He holds it together with baling wire and cord.

Dick Farmer, a good student every year,
When some girls see him they give him a cheer.

Dorothy Hildebrandt, the brain of the class,
Doesn't have to worry to whether or not she'll pass.

Leah Holohan, a short little flirt,
May someday have a little Georgie hanging on her skirt.

Marcia Lane, we know is stuck,
On a guy from Danvers, named Chuck.

Patricia Lane, a very nice girl,
When she sees Ken, her heart goes a whirl.

Myrna Lathim, the blond of the class,
To everyone is a quiet little lass.

Elwood Long, who is thin and tall,
Likes to spend his spare time playing basketball.

Don Lovan, is on his way,
To a little town only 3 miles away.

Sue Morgan, a cute little trick,
Eldon Johnson seems to be her pick.

Mary Morgan, with short dark curls,
Is very well liked by all of the girls.

Jim Necessary, who lives on a farm,
By next fall he'll have a strong arm.

Mauda Steward, who's a waitress in the cafe,
Plays her favorite song, "Come What May."

Frank Taylor, a shy and quiet lad,
There's not much you can do to make him mad.

Marilyn Van Hoosier, who can get a temper at times,
Will someday hear the wedding bell chimes.

Dick Yeast, who tries to do his best at every task,
Is liked by everyone, what more could you ask.

And I Ken Ford, last of all,
Have but one ambition and that's to be small.

CLASS WILL

We, the Senior Class of McLean Community High School, in the year nineteen hundred fifty-four, being of sound mind and good disposition and considering it fairly well settled that we are to graduate this year, do hereby devise, give and bequeath certain properties and virtuous qualities to the class of 1953.

First, to the Board of Education, who have made possible many of the privileges we have enjoyed the past four years, we pledge our sincere efforts to be future loyal and useful citizens.

To Mr. Yates, our principal, we leave our sincere gratitude for the way he has helped us during our most important year of school.

Second, to our teachers we leave peace and quiet, for they will no longer be bothered by our foolish pranks and questions. Also our deep gratitude for making our high school days cherished memories.

Third, to Gerald, we leave our sincere thanks for the amusement he has provided for us during our high school career.

Fourth, to the Freshmen and Sophomores, we leave our ability to stay out of tardy hall.

To the individuals of the Junior Class we leave the following:

Sherma Andersen leaves her continuous sense of humor to Marlene Lane. It pays to get a chuckle out of life.

Beverly Bowman leaves her ability to get along without boys to Sue Thompson. It can be done, Sue.

Bob Coffman leaves his ability to charm the teachers to Allen Buehler. You should try it some time, Allen.

Ken Conlin leaves his safe driving ability to Raymond Krutz; those "Chevies" will last longer that way, Buzzie.

Diane Cryer leaves Elbert Martin her ability to talk herself out of trouble; you'll probably need it next year.

Albert Decker leaves his ability to get to school every day and on time to Gay Steward; a few minutes' sleep won't matter, Gay.

Dick Farmer leaves his good standing with the teachers to Glenn Horath. It really comes in handy when you hand in a late paper.

Ken Ford leaves his ways with the women to Freddie Loercher. This will make it a lot easier, Fred.

Dorothy Hildebrandt leaves her quiet ways to Maddy Van Hoosier. It sure helps to get along with the teachers.

Leah Holohan leaves her ways with the servicemen to Maxine Wilson and Nancy Jeanne Watts. It takes patience though, girls.

Marcia Lane wills her job as editor of the annual to Barney Johnson. Good luck, Barney.

Pat Lane leaves her slim figure to Nancy Turner. Watch those calories, Nancy.

Myrna Lathim leaves her shyness to Pat Cryer. It's really not bad at all, Pat.

Elwood Long leaves his brother, Duane, to carry on in his place. The teachers aren't really as bad as all that.

Sue Morgan leaves her acrobatic abilities to Stephen Haughey. Once in a while, it helps to break those falls on the gym floor.

Mary Morgan leaves her will power to get an education to Stanley Rousey. A little work doesn't hurt anybody.

Frank Taylor leaves. (Now we can live in peace.)

Donald Lovan leaves his ability to study for better grades to Herby Hornke.

Dick Yeast leaves his amusing remarks and hearty laughter to Betty Dennison. It may get you in trouble, but you'll get a lot of laughs.

Jim Necessary leaves his ability to play basketball to Barbara Fann. It'll sure keep your figure trim, Barb.

Mauda Steward leaves her talent of talking first and thinking afterwards to Mary Ball. It can be fun at the right times.

Marilyn Van Hoosier leaves her knowledge of how to catch her man to Dicksy Baker. Good luck, Dicksy.

We hope that all of these inheritances are received in the same good spirit in which they are given, and cheerfully appreciated by our heirs.

CLASS PROPHECY

At last, my dream had come true, McLean was playing Atlanta for the State Championship. Ever since I played for the McLean Colts, and now being the coach, I had looked forward to this day. This was not the only reason for my excitement. Tonight I would see all my classmates of 1954. We had finally set a date for our long awaited reunion.

My wife, the former Marilyn Van Hoosier, is very busy with the plans for the banquet which will climax the evening's events. She is having quite a time getting a baby sitter for our six boys.

Dick Farmer, who was the star player on the Illinois Basketball team, and who had strictly remained a confirmed bachelor was already back to McLean. He had made the trip from Champaign, where he is employed as assistant football coach.

As I was sitting at my desk planning the starting five for tonight's game, my wife called to me and said I had a few visitors. Waiting for me in the living room were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sears, and Mr. and Mrs. James Henderson. Mrs. Sears, the former Marcia Lane, and Mrs. Henderson, the former Diane Cryer had both traveled a great distance in order to attend the game and reunion. Marcia said they had a lovely dairy farm in Wisconsin and that their three children were at home with their Grandmother Sears. Diane told us she and Jim were living in Ohio on a 1,000 acre farm. Diane had brought her twins, and left the younger children at home with Aunt Pat. After a short visit, they decided to return to their hotel to make preparations for the game.

I decided I would drive downtown to pick up the latest issue of the McLean Lens. As I walked into Holohan's Drug Store, I was surprised to see Leah and her husband George Usherwood. They had just arrived from Brazil, where George was supervising the building of a cross-country six-lane highway. Leah told us she had to leave her two sets of twins with a friend as she didn't want to bring them the long distance. After a brief visit, I went to the airport to meet the 3:05 plane.

The plane had just landed when I arrived. The first person I noticed was a well-dressed young lady whom I recognized as a former classmate, Sue Morgan, now the wife of Eldon Johnson, a pitcher for the New York Yankees. As we were driving home, Sue told me that they were living in a lovely home in the suburbs of New York City. She said she had to leave her three boys with their nurse. I told them I was glad to see that they were doing so well.

Upon arriving home, we noticed a sleek black Cadillac sitting in our drive. Coming out to meet us was Ken Ford and Jim Necessary. They informed us that they were running a huge Cadillac garage in Indiana. Jim said he was going to race in the Indianapolis Memorial Day Race this spring, and that Ken did all his mechanic work for him. After a short talk, they told us they would see us at the game and wished me luck.

As it was getting late, I thought I should start getting ready for the game. The boys and I were to leave on the bus at 5 o'clock. My wife was going to drive so I persuaded Sue and Eldon to go with her. My six boys would stay at home and watch the game on television.

On our way to the game, I noticed an airplane circling the bus. I didn't think anything about it at that time. After we arrived at Huff Gymnasium and were about to get off the bus, I noticed a group of people standing near the door. I noticed a man in an Air Force uniform with a young lady at his side. As I got closer, I recognized them as Pat and Ken Conlin. They asked me if I had noticed a plane circling my bus. I said yes, and then Ken said that it was he flying to the game. He and Pat had met Frank Taylor and Elwood Long at the Chicago Airport and brought them to the game. Ken said he was a Master Sergeant in the Air Force and he was making that his career. He and Pat were living with their family of four in San Francisco.

As I noticed Frank and Elwood's uniforms, I could see that they were doing quite well in the Navy. They told me they had a ten day leave and had come to see the game. With a good-bye and good luck, they sent me to coach my boys.

As my boys ran out to warm up, I started for my usual seat, when someone tapped me on the shoulder. I turned around and saw Dorothy Hildebrandt and Beverly Bowman. They had come to wish me luck before the game. I couldn't talk long but they told me they were both working in the Chicago Research Hospital. Beverly said she was head Psychiatrist and Dorothy is the head Surgeon. They said they had been employed there since their graduation from Medical School. With a good luck to me, they returned to their seats.

The first half of the game turned out fine. We were ahead 38-30. I took my boys to the shower room. After a brief talk, I sent them back to warm up for the second half. I was just ready to leave when Albert Decker and Don Lovan walked in. Albert told me he was head Chemist at Yale University and had made the trip for the game. Don said he was a Diving Officer with the Atomic Submarine Division of the United States Navy. I had to hurry back to the game, so I told them I would see them back at my home.

My boys made me a very proud guy. They won the State Championship by 18 points. After the game, a well groomed young lady, whom I didn't recognize at first, came up and congratulated me. She introduced herself as Sherma Andersen, and then I knew her as one of my former classmates. She said she was a model in Hollywood for bathing suits by Pierre. She had left her husband and triplets at home in Hollywood. I told her I'd see her back at home.

The bus ride home was a very enjoyable one. I invited all the boys to my house to join in the celebration.

When we arrived there, two charming young ladies greeted me. I recognized them as former classmates, Myrna Lathim and Mauda Steward. Myrna told me she was the head executive of the Patricia Stevens Modeling School. She said she liked her work and had looked forward to the reunion. Mauda said she was stewardess for Trans-World Airlines. She was engaged to a pilot and was planning to be married in the near future. She had come from Texas where she planned to make her home after her wedding.

Upon entering the living room, I noticed a young couple seated on the sofa watching television on my new set. I recognized the young lady at once as another classmate, Mary Morgan. She and her husband Ralph had just arrived a few minutes before I had. As the gang was getting seated, Mary told me that she and Ralph were now living in New Orleans.

The last person to arrive was Bob Coffman. He couldn't make it for the game, but he had heard it on his car radio as he drove here with his lovely wife from Denver, Colorado. He is engaged in the manufacture of airplanes, toy airplanes, that is, and is doing quite well.

As I looked around the room, I could see all my classmates and how they had changed. It brought back the memories of our school years and the good times we had together.

Richard Yeast
Coach of McLean Colts

Nancy Jeanne

Diane

Marvalene & Joyce

Guess? C. F.

"Tub"

Sue, Eva Lou, Sally

Dick Yeast

Mary

Leah

Maxine

Ken & Pat

Coach & Major

Barbara

Wayne, Louise Laurence, Mary

Jim & Carolyn

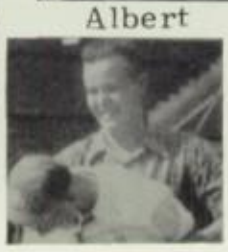
Marcia

Albert

Bush

Janie

Diane



Ken & Dick

Mr. & Mrs. Zoeller

Junior Float

JUNIORS

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JUNIOR CLASS

LEFT TO RIGHT, FIRST ROW: Mary Ball, Marlene Lane, Maxine Wilson, Betty Dennison, Barbara Fann, Nancy Jeanne Watts, Fred Loercher, Stephen Haughey, Barney Johnson. SECOND ROW: Raymond Krutz, Glen Horath, Duane Long, Madeline Van Hoosier, Mrs. Hungerford, Nancy Turner, Dicksy Baker, Sue Thompson, Pat Cryer, Gay Steward, Stanley Rousey. THIRD ROW: Mr. Hungerford, Elbert Martin, Herbie Hornke, and Allen Buehler.

The Junior Class resumed their education with added assurance and a feeling of more importance. We knew we were to have many duties throughout the year and we started by electing the officers. Chosen were: Fred Loercher, President; Nancy Jeanne Watts, Vice President; Barbara Fann, Secretary; and Betty Dennison, Treasurer. Stephen Haughey, Byron Johnson, and Marlene Lane were our Student Council Representatives. We were very ably advised by Mr. and Mrs. Hungerford.

During the Harvest Festival, the class entered a float entitled, "Going on a Hayride". In addition to having lots of fun working on it, we received the second place award. Also in the fall, we had a bake sale which proved to be a financial success.

Everyone was busy during basketball season, for we sold concessions and chances on cakes at all home games. Members of our class represented us in all sports and Maxine Wilson represented us in the cheering section.

On Friday, November 12, the Junior Class presented the play, "The Little Dog Laughed", which was a howling success, at least we thought so. We sponsored a "Sweetheart Ball" open to the public on February 13, in order to increase our funds.

Saturday, May 8, was the date of the Junior-Senior Banquet and Prom. Al Olson and his orchestra furnished the music for the prom. This was the greatest event of the year as we all looked forward to it and it was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

SOPHOMORES

LEFT TO RIGHT, FIRST ROW: Louise Decker, Marlene Hulva, Ila Allen, Pat Taylor, Roland Barr, Donald Ford. SECOND ROW: Wayne Ingold, Robert Wilcox, Jim Coffman, Sally Hammitt, Mary Kay Donovan, Darlene Allen, Billy Spencer. THIRD ROW: Esther Smith, Omar Robinson, Sue Hammitt, Eva Lou Durham, Donald Snow, Joanne Swearingen, Jim Hardesty. LAST ROW: Dick Girdler, Shirley Long, Carolyn Foley, Ray Billington, Roger Terrill, Dorothy Dietsch, Ann Grubbs. CLASS ADVISORS: Miss Eileane Hibbens and Mr. Merle Coffman.

On the nice, warm summer day of August 31, 1953, the "Silly Sophomores" started back to M.C.H.S.

October 2 was the exciting day, for the Freshman Initiation was held that afternoon and enjoyed by all. That evening, a party was given for the Freshmen and was open to the student body.

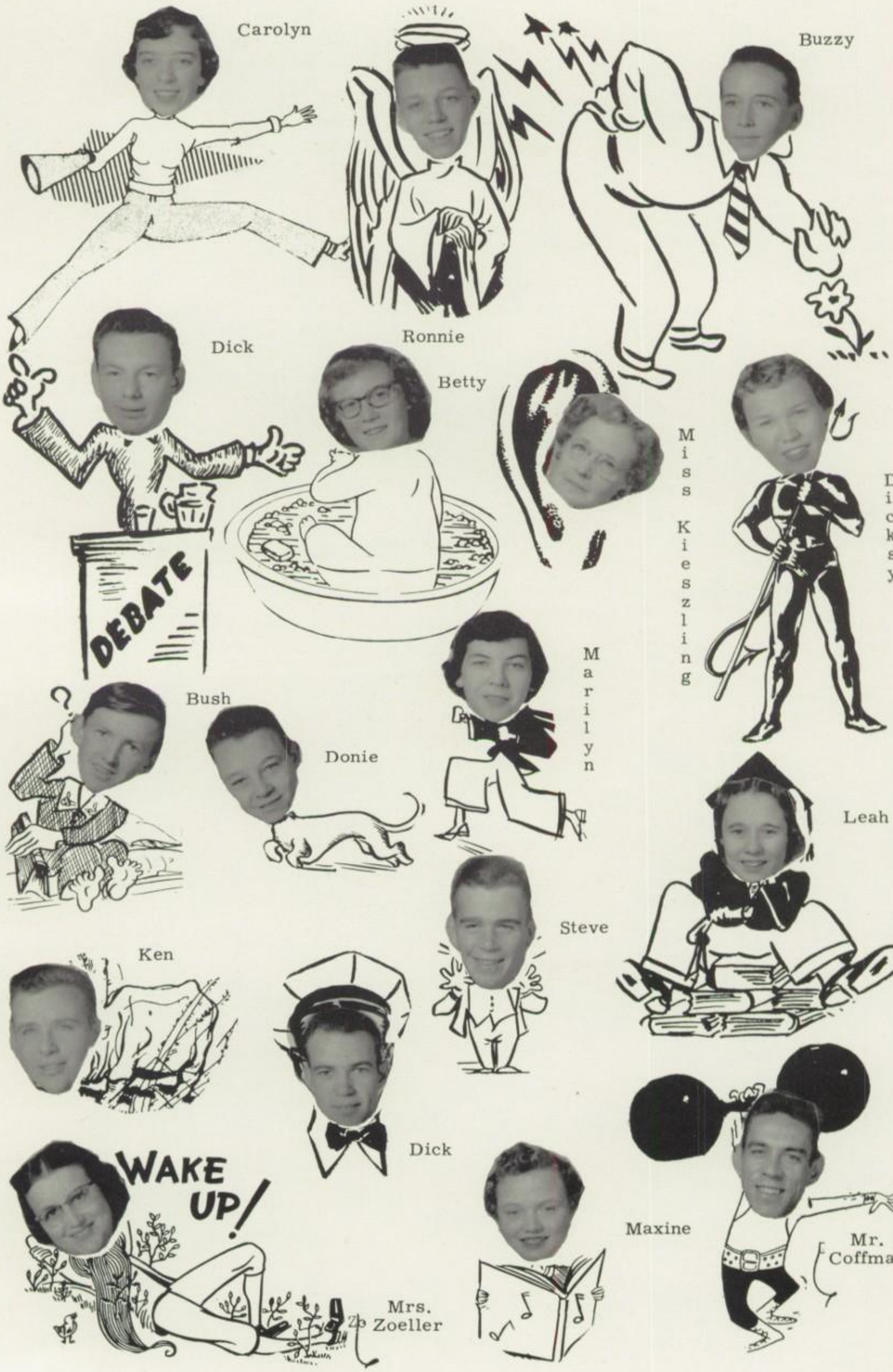
Our class won first prize on our float, "The Past and Present Classrooms", at the Fall Festival. We had the pleasure of putting our trophy in the new trophy case.

We next had our Bake Sale which turned out very successfully.

Then we sold Reader's Digests and are planning a magazine sale in March.

The officers of the class are as follows:

President . . . . . Sue Hammitt
Vice President . . . . . Sally Hammitt
Secretary . . . . . Carolyn Foley
Treasurer . . . . . Dick Girdler

We were very proud to gain to our class Darlene Allen, Ila Allen, Don Ford, Martha Lovan, and Russel Egnew, but sorry to lose Patricia Taylor, Roger Terrell, Roland Barr, and Dorothy Dietsch.

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WAKE UP!
Mrs. Zoeller
Maxine
Mr. Coffman

FRESHMEN

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FRESHMEN

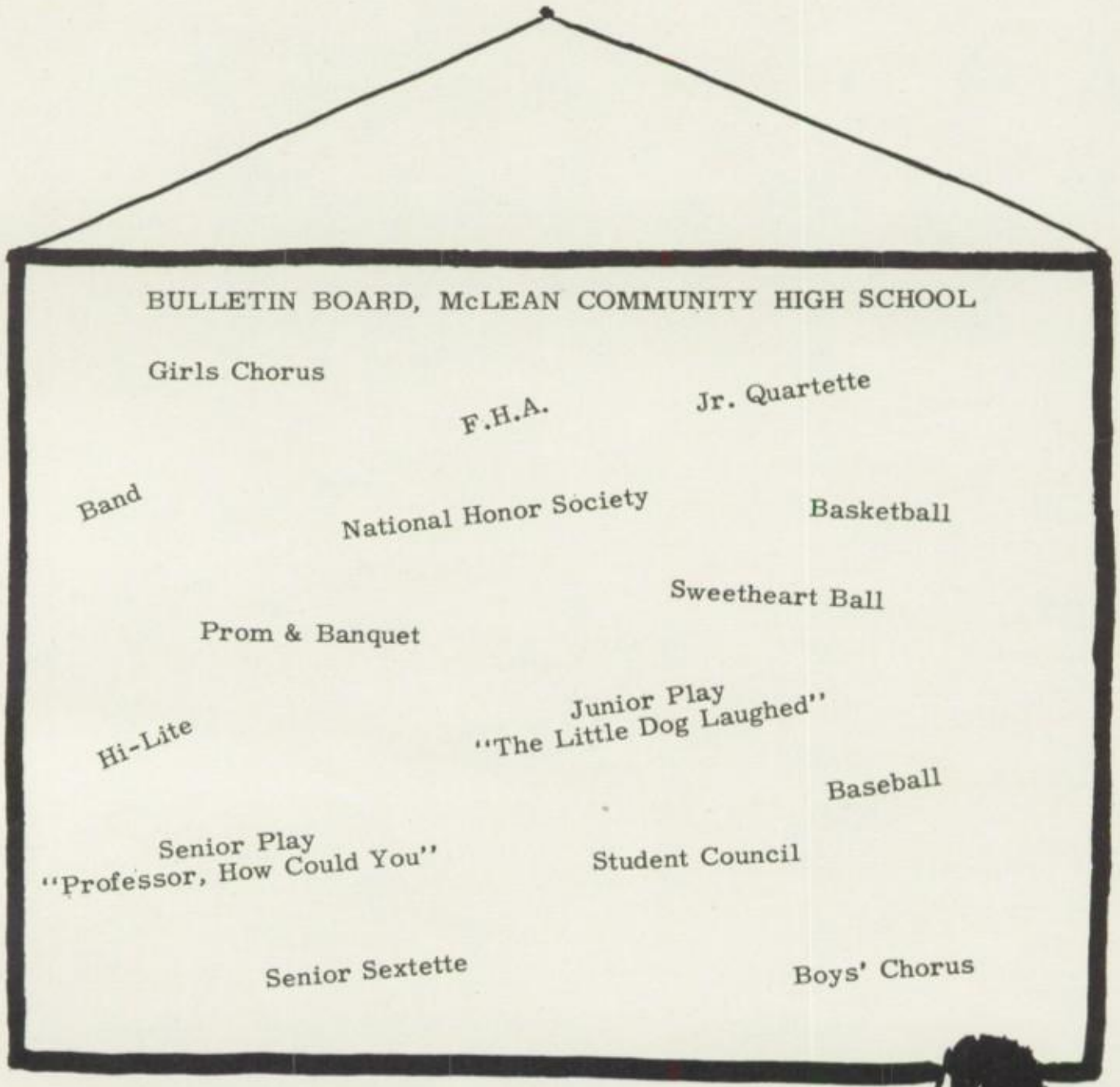
FIRST ROW: Carolyn Davis, Jane Gay Alexander, Alice Turner, Mary Kay McReynolds. SECOND ROW: Irene Gordon, Joyce Spencer, Dorothy Korom, Marvelene Foley. THIRD ROW: Alene Reidel, Ann Turner, Nancy Leach, Marvin Sutherlan. FOURTH ROW: Lawrence Gordon, Dick Ingold, Dean Cryer, Paul Van Hoorn. FIFTH ROW: Ronald Prewitt, Donald Hanes, Ronald Kirby, Tom Long. SIXTH ROW: Donald Watkins, Merlin Sutherlan, Dick Lane, Herold Martin. SEVENTH ROW: Mr. Hawker, Mrs. Zoeller.

The freshman class of 54, entered high school on August 31. We elected our class officers. President-Alice Turner, Vice-President-Paul Van Hoorn, Secretary-Carolyn Davis, Treasurer-Mary Kay McReynolds. Student Council members were Jane Gay Alexander and Ronnie Prewitt.

At the end of the first week, we were given green caps to wear for six weeks. On October 2, we were intiated. The girls had to wear bib overalls and boots with a bone in their hair. The boys had to wear short pants, white shirts, bow ties, high top boots, and ear muffs.

We decorated a float for the festival. The name of it was Transportation to School, in 2003.

FRESHMAN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NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

FIRST ROW: Pat Lane, Albert Decker, Mary Ball, Barbara Fann, Dick Farmer, Maxine Wilson, Beverly Bowman, Nancy Jeanne Watts, Barney Johnson, Marlene Lane, Miss Hibbens. SEATED: Freddie Loercher, Marcia Lane, Dorothy Hildebrandt.

Our officers this year were: Beverly Bowman, President; Dick Farmer, Vice President; Fred Loercher, Secretary; and Maxine Wilson, Treasurer.

This year, the National Honor Society again published the Hi-Lite. The staff was composed of: Beverly Bowman, Editor; Marcia Lane, Assistant Editor; Dorothy Hildebrandt, Art Editor; Marlene Lane, Assistant Art Editor; Barney Johnson and Fred Loercher, Sports and Humor; Maxine Wilson, Nancy Jeanne Watts, Dick Farmer, Columnists; Albert Decker, Calendar of Events; Mary Ball, Assembly Reporter; Patricia Lane, Production Manager; Barbara Fann, Club Reporter. We put this paper out monthly with additional holiday issues. We also sold ads to the businessmen of the town, which helped with the cost of production.

The main project we undertook was the purchasing of a new mimeograph machine. We also sold candy at noon hour for about three months. Two other money-making projects were a bake sale and a box social. Both were big successes.

A banquet for the new members of the National Honor Society was held the latter part of May.

STUDENT COUNCIL

LEFT TO RIGHT, FIRST ROW: Omar Robinson, Sue Morgan, Dick Yeast, Ronnie Prewitt, Bob Wilcox. SECOND ROW: Marlene Lane, Jane Alexander, Barney Johnson, Steve Haughey, Jim Necessary, Bob Coffman, Pat Lane, Mr. Yates.

In the spring of 1953, the student body elected Dick Yeast as our Student Council President.

We decided to have more members represent us so we elected the following: Jane Gay and Ronnie Prewitt, Freshman class; Omar Robinson, Bob Wilcox, Sophomore class; Barney Johnson, Marlene Lane, Stephen Haughey, Junior class; Sue Morgan, Pat Lane, Jim Necessary, and Bob Coffman from the Senior class.

This year the coke machine has been making most of our money. The whole student body enjoys it and we hope to continue it. Also, we sponsored two assemblies that were very successful.

In October, we sponsored an all school party which turned out to be successful.

In our meetings this year, we have discussed Tardy Hall and other interests of the school.

FIRST ROW: Marlene Lane, Sue Hammitt, Sue Morgan, Louise Decker, Beverly Bowman. SECOND ROW: Miss Kieszling, Darlene Allen, Mary Ball, Betty Dennison, Barbara Fann, Pat Cryer, Nancy Turner, Maxine Wilson, Myrna Lathim, Diane Cryer, Leah Holohan. THIRD ROW: Marlene Hulva, Ila Allen, Mary Kay Donovan, Sue Thompson, Nancy Jeanne Watts, Dicksy Baker, Gay Steward, Madeline Van Hoosier, Dorothy Hildebrandt, Sherma Andersen, Marcia Lane. FOURTH ROW: Mauda Mae Steward, Joyce Spencer, Marvalene Foley, Dorothy Korom, Irene Gordon, Sally Hammitt, Eva Lou Durham, Patricia Taylor, Carolyn Foley, Shirley Long, Esther Smith, Ann Grubbs, Mary Kay McReynolds. FIFTH ROW: JoAnne Swearingen, Alice Turner, Jane Gay Alexander, Carolyn Davis, Alene Reidel, Marilyn Van Hoosier, Ann Turner, Nancy Leach, Dorothy Dietsch, Patricia Lane.

This year, to lead us forward, we elected the following officers: President, Sue Morgan; Vice-President, Marlene Lane; Secretary, Louise Decker; Treasurer, Sue Hammitt; Parliamentarian, Beverly Bowman; Historian, Leah Holohan; Recreational Chairman, Barbara Fann; Public Relations, Mauda Steward; Project Chairman, Patricia Lane; Degree Chairman, Marilyn Van Hoosier; Financial Chairman, Marcia Lane; Program, Diane Cryer; Artist, Dorothy Hildebrandt; Reporters, Sherma Andersen, Myrna Lathim; Pianist, Diane Cryer.

Our enrollment consists of 48 members this year. We have a business and a recreational meeting each month. This year the F.H.A. sponsored the annual Christmas Party, which was a great success. A Mother and Daughter Tea is being planned for May. The annual District Rally was held at LeRoy. This event was enjoyed by all.

Mrs. Dorothy Lawerence was chosen as Chapter Mother. She was also elected Chapter Mother for our District. This is an honor of which we are very proud.

F. F. A.

LEFT TO RIGHT, TOP ROW: Paul Van Hoorn, Dick Ingold, Wayne Ingold, Dean Cryer, Allen Buehler, Jim Coffman, Glen Hoarth, Marvin Southerlan. SECOND ROW: Merlin Southerlan, Harold Martin, Jim Hardesty, Elbert Martin, Stanley Rousey, Mr. Hawker. SEATED: Bob Coffman, Don Ford, Ken Ford, Jim Necessary, Albert Decker, Ken Conlin.

After two inactive years, McLean High again has an active F.F.A. Chapter under the supervision of Mr. E. J. Hawker.

We started out by electing officers. They were as follows: President, Jim Necessary; Vice-President, Ken Conlin; Secretary, Ken Ford; Treasurer, Bob Coffman; Reporter, Albert Decker; Sentinel, Don Ford.

In order to make money, we had a concession stand at the Annual Fall Festival.

At the last of September, we had the Green Hand initiation. There were thirteen boys initiated.

On December 5th, most of the boys went to Chicago where we visited the International Livestock Exposition and many other points of interest.

The F.F.A. sponsored a pest contest to see which team could kill the most pests (rats, mice, hawks, etc.). In this contest, we had two teams, the Freshmen-Sophomores on one and the Juniors and Seniors on the other. The losing team had to give a party for the winners.

OUR MARCHING BAND

MAJORETTES: Left to Right: Leah Holohan, Sue Morgan, Maxine Wilson. FRONT TO BACK: Mrs. Zoeller, Jim Necessary, Ray Krutz, Beverly Bowman, Marcia Lane, Stanley Rousey, Barney Johnson, Harold Martin. SECOND ROW: Marvin Southerlan, Omar Robinson, Eva Durham, Mary McReynolds, Elbert Martin, Mary Ball, Mary Donovan. THIRD ROW: Merlin Southerlan, Marvalene Foley, Pat Taylor, Nancy Leach, Esther Smith, Jane Gay Alexander, Alice Turner. FOURTH ROW: Don Lovan, Bob Wilcox, Dick Girdler, Nancy Jeanne Watts, Sue Thompson, Pat Lane, Jim Hardesty.

At the beginning of the year, the band had twenty-eight members, but Martha Lovan and Marlene Lane joined later making a total of thirty members.

We marched and played at Atlanta Homecoming, McLean Fall Festival, Waynesville Homecoming, Eureka Pumpkin Festival, and Illinois State Normal University Homecoming. We were awarded trophies in Atlanta and McLean.

During basketball season, we played for every home game.

The entire band played at McLean County Music Festival, April, in Bloomington.

SING! SING! SING!

JUNIOR-SENIOR CHORUS

FIRST ROW: Nancy Turner, Marlene Lane, Leah Holohan, Pat Lane, Mrs. Zoeller. SECOND ROW: Barbara Fann, Myrna Lathim, Diane Cryer, Mary Ball, Pat Cryer, Sue Morgan. THIRD ROW: Sherma Anderson, Nancy Jeanne Watts, Betty Dennison, Maxine Wilson, Sue Thompson, Gay Steward. FOURTH ROW: Marilyn Van Hoosier, Madeline Van Hoosier, Dorothy Hildebrandt, Marcia Lane, Beverly Bowman, Dicksy Baker.

FRESHMEN-SOPHOMORE CHORUS

FIRST ROW: Mrs. Zoeller, Jane Gay Alexander, Carolyn Davis, Mary Kay McReynolds, Eva Lou Durham, Dorothy Korom. SECOND ROW: Darlene Allen, Ila Allen, Joanne Swearingen, Esther Smith, Sue Hammitt. THIRD ROW: Shirley Long, Pat Taylor, Nancy Leach, Ann Turner, Carolyn Foley, Alice Turner. FOURTH ROW: Mary Kay Donovan, Marvelene Foley, Marlene Hulva, Sally Hammitt, Alene Reidel, Irene Gordon, Joyce Spencer.

FRESHMAN-SOPHOMORE SEXTETTE

Marlene Hulva, Jane Gay Alexander, Mary Kay McReynolds, Carolyn Davis, Nancy Leach, Sally Hammitt.

GLEE CLUB

LEFT TO RIGHT, FIRST ROW: James Necessary, Merlin Southerlan, Albert Decker, Don Ford, Don Prewitt, Don Hanes. SECOND ROW: Richard Lane, Steve Haughey, James Hardesty, Ken Ford, Harold Martin, Stanley Rousey, Don Lovan, Bob Wilcox, Mrs. Zoeller.

SENIOR SEXTETTE

LEFT TO RIGHT: Mrs. Zoeller, Patricia Lane, Leah Holohan, Diane Cryer, Marcia Lane, Beverly Bowman, and Sue Morgan.

JUNIOR QUARTETTE

LEFT TO RIGHT: Maxine Wilson, Dicksy Baker, Sue Thompson, and Betty Dennison.

"REST ASSURED"

JUNIOR CLASS PLAY PRESENTED NOVEMBER 14, 1952

LEFT TO RIGHT: Albert Decker, Dick Yeast, Pat Lane, Ken Conlin, Mauda Mae Steward, Bob Coffman, Dick Farmer, Roger Lancaster, Mary Morgan, Beverly Bowman, Marcia Lane, Jim Necessary, Myrna Lathim, Sue Morgan, Marilyn Van Hoosier, Elwood Long.

JUNIOR-
SENIOR
BANQUET

STANDING: Willis Lancaster, Shirley Taylor, Mrs. Haughey, Leah Holohan, Frank Taylor, Walter Jordan, Mrs. Jordan, Ramona Walden, Charlene Oldham, Norma Ingold, Beverly Bowman, Kenneth Hunter, Henry Hornke, Sherma Anderson, Dorothy Hildebrandt. SEATED, FIRST ROW: Mr. Swearingen, Jean Gordon, Ken Conlin, Pat Lane, Roger Lancaster, Marilyn Anderson, Jim Dickerson, Susan Turner, Mrs. Wilcox, Mary Morgan, Mr. Haughey, Miss Hibbens, Elwood Long, Mr. Yates, Marcia Lane, Bob Coffman, Mrs. Yates, Joe Reidel, Mrs. Morgan, Marlene Kirby, Jerry Westerfield, Mrs. Hungerford, Russell Snow, Mauda Steward, Mrs. Leach, Albert Decker, Betty Hoarath, Mr. Hungerford, Mrs. Dickerson, Don Lucas, Mrs. Swearingen, Myrna Lathim, Dan Buck, Eldon Johnson, Miss Winings, Mr. Coffman, Dorothy Surwald, Dick Yeast, Sue Morgan, Dick Farmer, Gale Necessary, Fred Leach, Diane Cryer, Jim Necessary, Mary Hall, Sam Smith, Mae Foley, and Maxine Wilson.

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OUR TWIRLING MAJORETTES

Maxine Wilson, Sue Morgan, Leah Holohan

CHEERLEADERS PROMOTE SPIRIT AT GAMES

Mary McReynolds, Maxine Wilson, Pat Taylor, Sue Morgan

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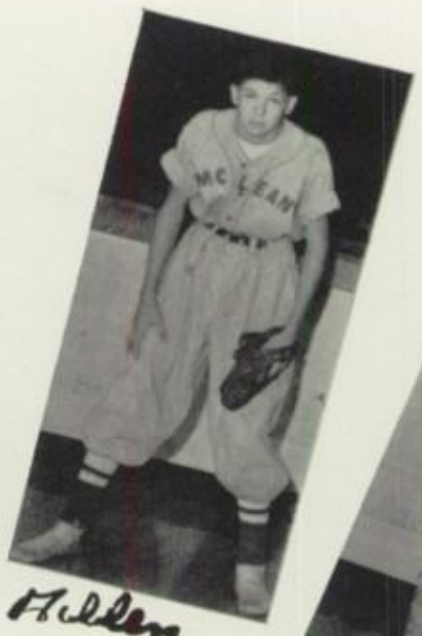

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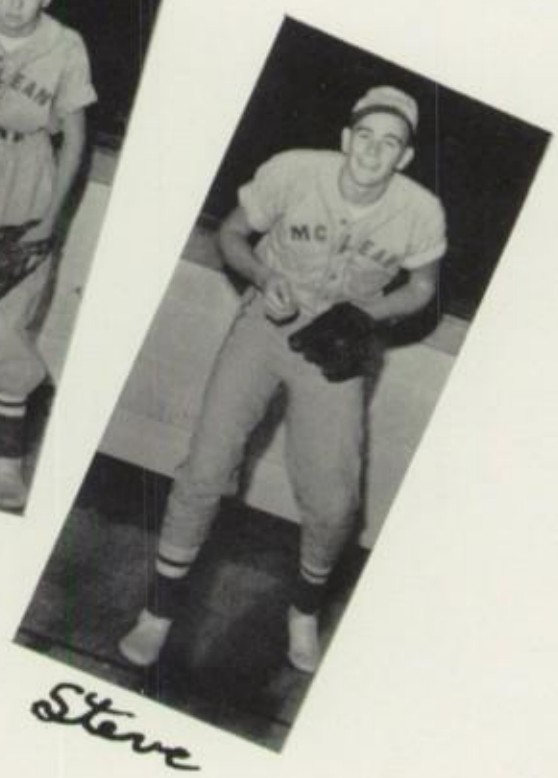

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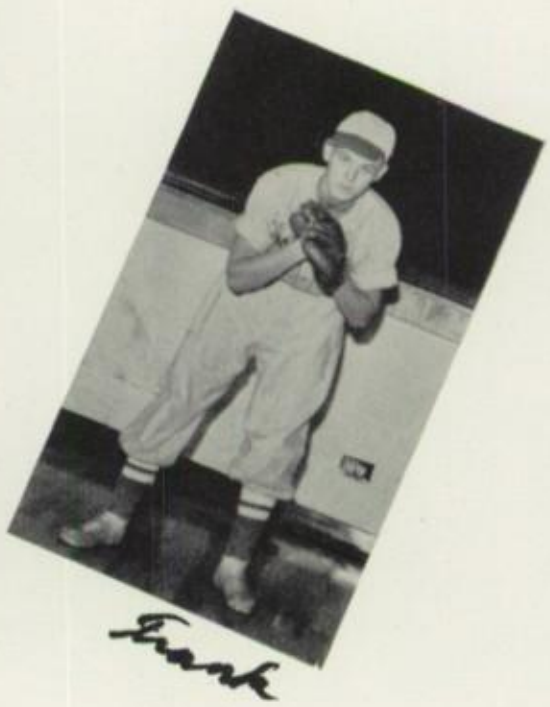

Frank

Dick

Barney

Don

BASEBALL RESERVES

LEFT TO RIGHT, FRONT ROW: Jim Coffman, Fred Loercher, Ronnie Prewitt, Marvin Southerlan, Herbie Hornke. BACK ROW: Merlin Southerlan, Omar Robinson, Jim Hardesty, Dick Lane, Don Lovan.

In the spring of 1953, McLean met Mason City in the Delavan Sub-District. McLean won with a score of 4 to 1. Delavan beat McLean in the next game, 7 to 6.

The McLean squad opened the fall season against Downs and easily won, with a score of 22 to 1. We downed Bellflower 19 to 0. Ellsworth won the third game without too much trouble by handcuffing the Colts, 7 to 2. Barney Johnson got the Colts two runs with a pair of home runs. The McLean Colts made their record 3 and 1 by downing Wapella in an 8 to 2 contest. McLean took Stanford with a score of 16 to 2. Our record was four and one as we journeyed to Danvers in the deciding conference game only to lose the game and a chance for a tie at the conference championship by the one sided score of 11 to 1. The Colts' last game of the 1953 season was with the Atlanta Redwings at Atlanta. We lost this game 5 to 4. This rounded out the 1953 fall baseball season at McLean High. McLean ended with a record of 4 wins and 3 defeats. Our team batting average was .279.

B. Johnson p, lb - -.524
H. Hornke of - - - - -.417
F. Taylor of - - - - -.385
D. Yeast p,lb - - - -.360
D. Girdler ss - - - -.286
D. Farmer 2b - - -.333
J. Necessary 3b - -.208
D. Lane of - - - - - -.167
S. Rousey c - - - - -.143
A. Buehler of - - - -.143
S. Haughey of - - - -.183
F. Loercher of - - - -.000
D. Lovan of - - - - -.000
J. Hardesty of - - - -.000

GIRLS PHYSICAL ED CLASSES

LEFT TO RIGHT, FIRST ROW: Louise Decker, Ila Allen, Alene Reidel, Mary Donovan. SECOND ROW: Alice Turner, Joanne Swearingen, Joyce Spencer. THIRD ROW: Mary Kay McReynolds, Ann Turner, Jane Alexander. FOURTH ROW: Darlene Allen, Marvalene Foley, Pat Taylor, Carolyn Foley. FIFTH ROW: Nancy Leach, Shirley Long, Carolyn Davis. SIXTH ROW: Eva Lou Durham, Ann Grubbs, Irene Gordon.

LEFT TO RIGHT, STANDING IN FRONT: Barbara Fann, Sue Thompson, Pat Cryer, Nancy Watts, Betty Dennison, Gay Steward, Maxine Wilson, Mary Ball, Marlene Lane. ON FLOOR: Marilyn Van Hoosier, Mauda Steward, Dorothy Hildebrandt, Sue Morgan, Diane Cryer, Sherma Anderson, Myrna Lathim, Marcia Lane.

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McLean Surprises Normal High, 51-50

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McLean Romps Over Atlanta

McLean Dumps Wapella, 72-56; Bellflower Falls

McLean Romps

Colts Take Easy 65-49 Triumph In Own Tourney

Dick Farmer

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Ken Conlin

Coach Hungerford

Dick Yeast

Steve Haughey

Jim Necessary

Stan Rousey

Fred Loercher

McLean Eases By Atlanta, 66-62

B-TEAM

LEFT TO RIGHT, FIRST ROW: Merlin Southerlan, Jim Coffman, Omar Robinson, Marvin Southerlan, Don Hanes, Paul Van Hoorn, Ronnie Prewitt. SECOND ROW: Don Ford, Herbie Hornke, Don Watkins, Dick Lane, Jim Hardesty, Stanley Rousey, Coach Hungerford.

The "B" team up to February 16, have won 4 and lost 14 games. On the squad is Ronnie Prewitt, Jim Hardesty, Don Watkins, Dick Lane, Paul Van Hoorn, Stan Rousey, Jim Coffman, Omar Robinson, Merlin Southerlan, Herb Hornke, Don Hanes, and Marvin Southerlan. The starting five were usually Ronnie Prewitt, Merlin Southerlan, Stan Rousey, Dick Lane, and Jim Hardesty.

The Freshman-Sophomore Tournament was held at McLean on March 9-12.

Following is the record of the scores for this year:

McLean	36	Stanford	41	McLean	29	Stanford	32
McLean	23	Minier	28	McLean	28	Ellsworth	45
McLean	27	Downs	23	McLean	29	Wapella	18
McLean	29	Heyworth	35	McLean	41	Le Roy	49
McLean	16	Atlanta	39	McLean	34	Saybrook	52
McLean	32	Bellflower	23	McLean	37	Bellflower	10
McLean	38	Normal	61	McLean	22	Danvers	52
McLean	30	Danvers	33	McLean	30	Atlanta	45
McLean	34	Beason	36	McLean	35	Ellsworth	47

VARSITY

The McLean Colts opened their 1953-54 season by defeating Stanford 58-44 on the Colts' hardwood. On November 24, we traveled to Minier to take our first shellacking of the season by a count of 56-38. In our first conference game, we dumped the Downs squad 59-37 to make our record 2 wins and 1 defeat. The Colts surprised Heyworth in our next game by taking a 53-43 victory on the Hornets' floor. We then met our arch rivals, Atlanta, on the Atlanta floor and went home with a thrilling 66-62 victory as Dick Farmer dumped in 23 points for the Colts. The Colts continued their winning ways with an 86-45 victory over Bellflower for McLean's third conference victory in as many games. Barney Johnson led the Colts with 28 points to take scoring honors for the evening. On December 11, the Colts again proved too much for the Normal Ironmen as we took the game by a narrow margin of one point, 51-50. This was our sixth victory in seven starts. Our losing streak started as the Danvers quintet dumped the Colts on McLean's floor in a 59-56 contest. Dick Girdler led McLean with 22 points as the Colts' floor play took a turn for the worse.

Our third invitational tournament was held December 16-19. We managed to take a lopsided game from Atlanta for our only win in the tournament. The score was 65-49 as Barney Johnson poured 37 points through the nets to take the scoring lead. It was Heyworth all the way in the second game as they poured it on the Colts by a count of 72-46. Minier just edged by us to take third place in the tourney as they downed the Colts for the second time this season by a score of 68-64. Dick Yeast proved to be McLean's scoring punch as he dumped in 28 points.

McLean's losing streak continued as they lost games to Beason, Stanford, and Ellsworth by scores of 48-42, 54-53, 53-46, respectively. We got our eighth win from Wapella as we had a hot second half and won 72-56. We lost our next two games at the hands of LeRoy and Saybrook. LeRoy won 58-50 and Saybrook had a close call but won 70-68.

We dumped Downs in our first game of the McLean County Tournament 62-40. Ellsworth laid it on the Colts in our second game of the tourney as they waltzed away with a 58-36 victory.

McLean evened their season mark at 10 wins and 10 defeats as they were ably led by Barney Johnson's 24 points straight to a 84-56 victory over Bellflower. Danver again proved much too much for the Colts as they took an easy 80-57 victory on the Danvers maples. Atlanta partially made up for their two previous defeats at the hands of McLean as they downed us in a thriller 51-50. The Colts received their thirteenth loss as Ellsworth took their third straight win from the Colts 71-57. The Heyworth Hornets were in for a surprise as they came to McLean only to go home with a 51-50 defeat at the hands of the scrapping Colts.

In district tourney play, McLean was bumped in their first game by Beason in a thrilling 59-54 ball game.

The final statistics of the season are as follows:

	FG	FT	FTM
Barney Johnson	156	88	49
Dick Farmer	141	71	29
Dick Girdler	81	39	24
Dick Yeast	60	34	37
Fred Loercher	24	10	22
Stan Rousey	4	11	5
Steve Haughey	32	15	28
Ken Conlin	11	27	24
Jim Necessary	9	15	14
	518	310	232

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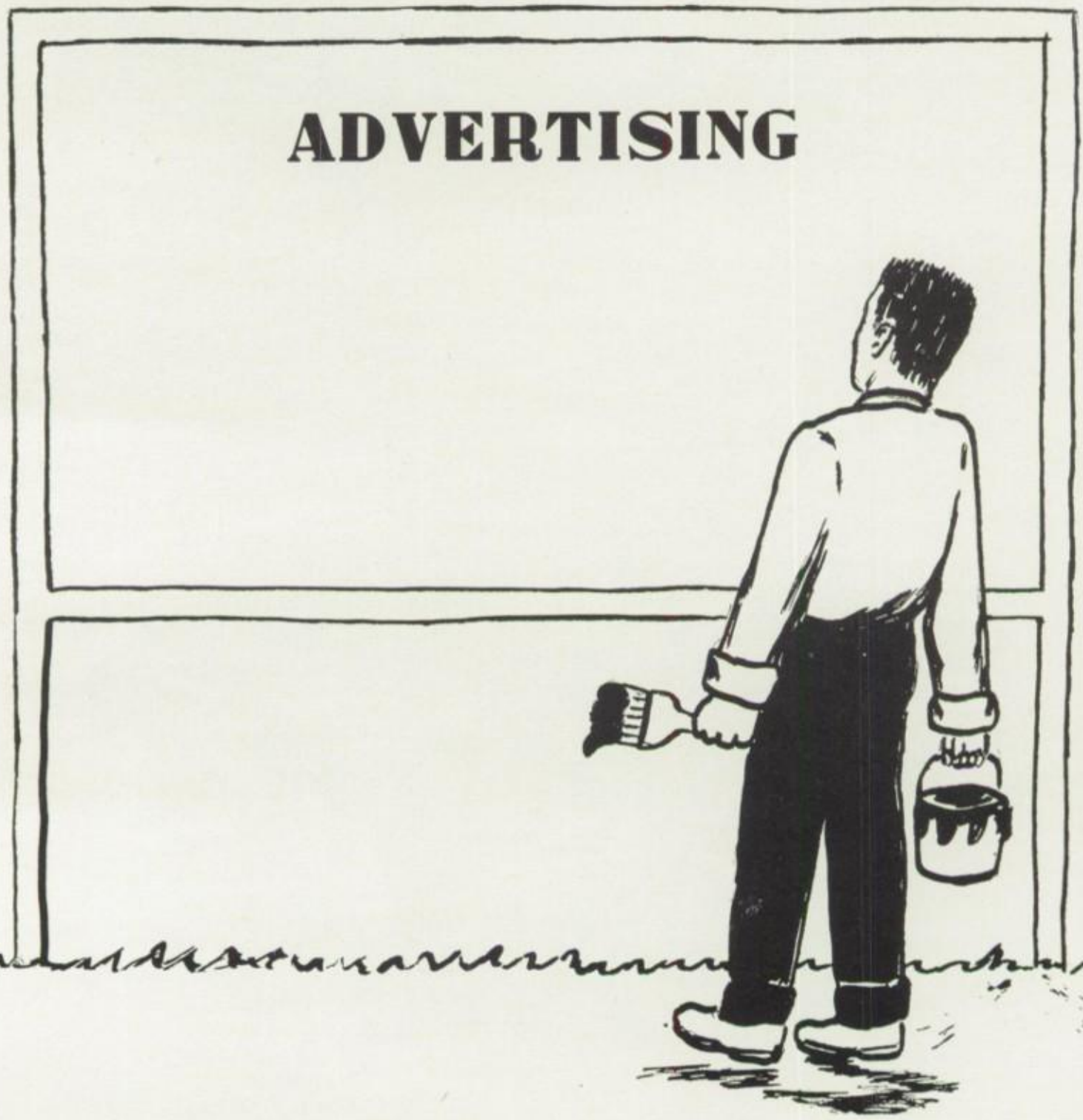

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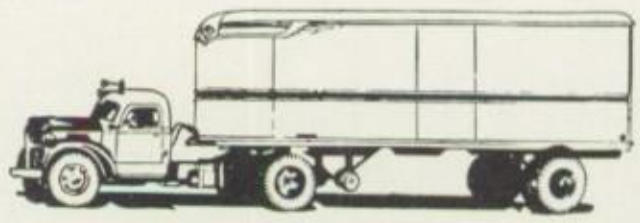

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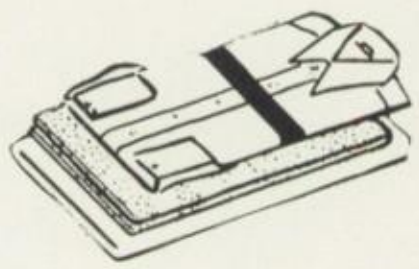

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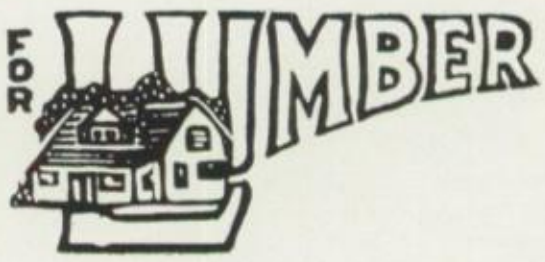

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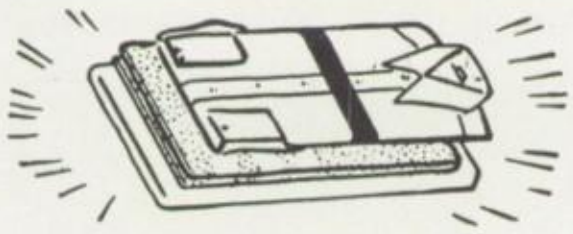

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